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Crestline Skatepark Contract Approved

SAN BERNARDINO - The Board of Supervisors on Tuesday approved a contract to construct the Crestline skatepark as well as add and enhance amenities at the adjacent Crestline Village Park.

Construction is scheduled to begin on June 26 and should be completed in about six months. The skatepark will feature modular ramps and obstacles including a half-pipe, quarter-pipe, launch ramp, rails, benches and more. San Bernardino County Regional Parks staff members will occasionally reconfigure the ramp layout using input from riders, who will be required to wear protective gear.

Other amenities that will be added include modern playground equipment, restrooms, a picnic shelter, wrought iron fencing, landscaping, parking spaces, and new tennis and basketball courts. There are currently no restrooms at the park, which is adjacent to the Mountain Communities Boys and Girls Club.

"While a lot of focus has been on the skatepark, which will be a great community amenity, I want residents to know the park will have broad appeal," Second District Supervisor Paul Biane said. "Whether you're looking for a shaded place

to have a family outing and let the kids play or for a pickup basketball game, this park will be the place to go."

Officials originally estimated the park project would cost about \$850,000, but the price tag increased by about \$442,000 because the site is located within easements owned by the Crestline Lake Arrowhead Water District and the Crestline Sanitation District. In order to allow the agencies access to the easements, the County added roads and a gate system to the project. In addition, ornamental fencing added to the plans during the design phase increased the overall cost.

Supervisors decided to use unanticipated savings from several fire alarm upgrade projects throughout the county to cover the additional park costs.

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